

# EVMS in Australia

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#### Introduction

- History of Australian Earned Value Management (EVM)
- Defence Acquisition Organisation (DAO) structure
- Current initiatives
- Australian industry involvement
- International participation
- Conclusions

## History

- 1986 JPAC Report 243 recommended adoption of C/SCSC for major projects
- 1989 Formation of dedicated focal point
- 1990 First company validated
- 1990 1993 Guidance documents developed
- 1992 Mutual acceptance of validations
- 1993 Exchange officer program started
- 1995 Signed EVM MOU with US and Canada
- 1995 1997 Chaired IPMC
- 1997 EVM moved to Dir. Acq. Mgt. Sys.



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#### Defence Focus

- Early focus was on EVMS implementation
  - ➤ Not much expertise was available outside DAMS-EVM
  - ➤ DoD data usage and analysis varied
- In 1996, focus changed to improving quality and internal use of EV data
  - ➤ Train program office personnel
  - ➤ Establish better analytical capability
  - ➤ Emphasize timely reports

#### Current Initiatives

- Payment by Earned Value (EV)
- Contracting for EV services
- Earned Value Leadership Panel (EVLP)
- Review process simplification
- Update policy and implementation guidance

## Payment by Earned Value

- Used on all new contracts with EVM requirement
- Payments based on combination of EV progress and key milestones
- In use on a number of major projects:
  - ➤ ANZAC Frigates, Mine Hunter Coastal, Hydro Ship, Lead-In-Fighter, ANZAC Helos
- Interim policy in place

Results in better acceptance and use of EV data

## Contracting for EV Services

- Create EV Consultancy Panel
- Scope of work would include:
  - ➤ EVMS review support
  - ➤ Data analysis support
  - ➤ Training
  - **➤**Studies
- Objective is to enable DAMS-EVM staff to do more project support
- Long-term goal is third party validation

## Earned Value Leadership Panel

- Includes Acquisition and Service executives and selected PMs
- Objective is to foster better acceptance and use of EV data in DoD
- Forum to exchange views and ideas
- Accomplishments so far:
  - ➤ EV postings to the Services
  - ➤ Higher management is gaining a better understanding of EVM

## Review Process Simplification

- Use of IBR
  - ➤ More project involvement
  - ➤ Emphasis is on realistic baselines
  - ➤ Does not replace validation reviews
  - Reduction in post validation reviews
- Simplified review reports
- Involvement from outside DAMS-EVMS
- Company EVMS representative on team
- Joint surveillance

## Update Policy and Guidance

- Aust. Cost Schedule Implementation Guide is being updated
- Cost Schedule Status Report
   Implementation Guide is being updated by APMA working group
- CSCSC and payment by EV contract clauses are next
  - ➤ DEFPUR 101 contains contract clauses

#### Other Initiatives

- Scheduling Data Item Description is being finalized
- Link risk management with EVM
- Continue to promote EVM in the project offices
- Establish centers of excellence in Tech Domains
- Develop an Industry EVM standard
- Use EV data for Defence funding forecasts
- Promote use of commercial software analysis tools
- Encourage submission of EV data via EDI

## Australian Industry Involvement

- EVM used on numerous non-defense projects
- Australian Institute of Project Management still considering integration of EVM into body of knowledge
- DAMS-EVMS is working with Standards Australia to create a national standard
  - ➤ May use ANSI standard as a starting point

## International Participation

- Original member of International Performance Management Council
  - ➤ Chaired IPMC from 1995 1997
  - Current representative is Mr. Subhash Dang
- Active in exchanging views and personnel
- Supportive of international aspects of EVM
  - Procuring materiel from several foreign sources

#### Conclusions

- Australia has made a lot of progress in a relatively short time
- Learn from Australia's experiences:
  - ➤ Payment by EV
  - **►**EVMS on firm-fixed price contracts
  - ➤ International EVMS applications
- Continue productive exchange of people and ideas

## Where to Find Info on Australian EVM

Australian EVM web site: http://www.iic.spirit.net.au/ams

Australian PMA web site: http://www.austpma.org.au